

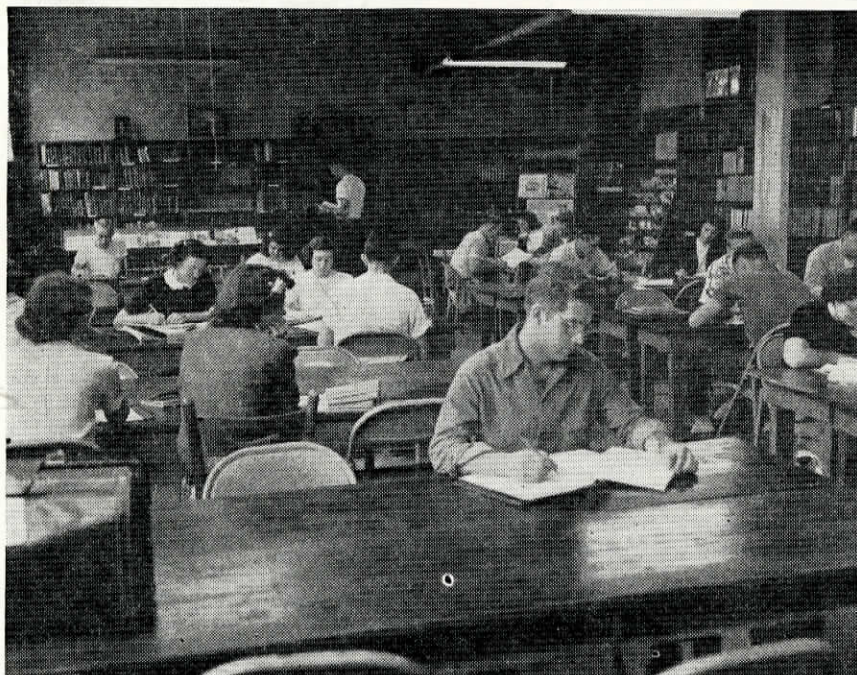
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ROOF GOES ON BUILDING



The library of any college is the workshop of industrious students. This picture shows Bryan youth preparing for the future.

MARSTON MANAGES UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

Open the door, walk in, and make yourself at home, but try to be quiet, please. This book-lined room with its racks of secular and religious periodicals, local and municipal newspapers, and its shelves of reference books is study headquarters. Yes, this is the Bryan University library.

Management of the library is assigned to Robert D. Marston, a newcomer to Bryan Hill, who was the librarian at Sterling College in Kansas from 1947-1950. Mr. Marston received his B.A. from Greenville College in Illinois in 1947 and his B.S. in Library Science at George Peabody College in Nashville, Tennessee, in 1948 where he did some graduate work during the summer of 1950.

Re-organization and expansion characterize the present work in the library as the university purchases new books and reference materials to supplement the 20,000 volumes now in use.

ADKINSON ADDRESSES BUSINESS MEN

Speaking to about sixty business men besides faculty members in the Bryan University dining hall December 7, Dr. Grady L. Adkinson, assistant dean of admissions at the University of Tennessee, stated that Bryan graduates were a credit to the school and that there was definitely a place for the small Christian liberal arts college in today's field of higher education.

In addressing representatives from Dayton's Lions Club, Junior Chamber of Commerce, and Daytonians, the Red Bank Lions Club, and the Spring City Kiwanis Club, Dr. Adkinson spoke of his experiences in a small college and urged the business men to familiarize themselves with the work of Bryan University.

Roy McDonald of the Chattanooga *News-Free Press*, who was the main speaker at a similar dinner last year, stated in a short speech, "I am really here tonight because I want to pay

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MATERIALS ARRIVE

In the December issue, NEWSLETTE used exactly the same words as the caption of an article with a picture of the north section of the Administration Building. The article was written in good faith, but changed circumstances demand an explanation.

The initial order for steel roof decking was placed early in August, and shipment promised for the first of October. Three postponements followed, with the last one indefinite as to shipping date. On advice of the architect, since delivery of the steel seemed improbable or long-delayed, arrangement was made with another company to install a different type of roof deck. It was this which was promised and anticipated when the December NEWSLETTE went to press. However, this company, too, came up against an unexpected material shortage, and could not begin work as promised. Then, just a few days ago, word was received that the original order of steel decking had been shipped. It has now been received and transported to the campus.

Meanwhile, another portion of the main floor of the north section has been put into use with the business division moving to new office quarters in that area in readiness for the opening of the second quarter of the school year on January 2nd. Also during the Christmas vacation period a small crew of student and staff workers have hung new louvered fluorescent fixtures in the areas used for offices and classrooms, and have installed the radiators throughout the entire main floor of the north section.

Once more NEWSLETTE would report to alumni, and friends of Bryan University wherever they are found, "The job is being done." With the prayers and help of God's people, who have an interest in His work here and in the young people whose lives are being enriched and blessed through it, "the job is being done." Problems, especially of finance, continue to loom large, but with God's help "the job will be done."

Christ Above All

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DR. RUDD'S FATHER IS NOW WITH THE LORD

Our hearts were saddened December 7, when news reached the Hill of the homegoing of Guy Vernon Rudd, father of Dr. Judson A. Rudd, university president. We rejoiced, however, knowing that his absence from the body meant his presence forever with the Lord. Funeral services were held in Alamosa, Colorado, where he passed away, and burial was in Belpre, Kansas.

ALUMNI TOPS GOAL

Bryan alumni topped their \$100 goal to provide shrubbery for the front and side areas of the Bryan Memorial Chapel. The total response amounted to \$164.74, sixty-five per cent beyond the designated sum.

Ila Ruth Mahr, '48, alumni treasurer, has delivered the one hundred dollar check to Lloyd E. Fish, '35, vice-president and treasurer of the university. The remainder of the amount will be used to meet current alumni association expenses, as was agreed at the beginning of the drive. If there is still some surplus after meeting expenses, it is expected that the association executive committee will move to apply it on the alumni project for 1951.

EDITOR PROMISES COLORFUL COMMONER

Keeping pace with Bryan's physical growth, the 1951 COMMONER, the school's yearbook, is to be 25 per cent larger than last year's annual.

Wayne Pontious, editor-in-chief, stated recently that the '51 COMMONER would not only be the largest, but also the most colorful annual ever produced on Bryan Hill.

Anxious to meet the first deadline, February 1, the staff has been working on layout and division pages while the photographers have been busy taking snapshots and individual pictures.

"STAY-AT-HOMES" ENJOY CHRISTMAS, TOO!

Don't feel too sorry for the "Stay-at-homes"! Save some sympathy for those who went home to have a good time in the snow, only to find it all melted; or for those who longed for nice balmy weather, and now find themselves tunneling their way out to the mail box.

But let's begin at the beginning. Who are the "Stay-at-homes"? These poor "unfortunates" are the students and staff members who remain on Bryan Hill and help out with the work during vacation time. Through necessity or through choice, their Christmas is spent in the dormitories, but their life is not as drab or nostalgic as one might think.

The season opened with a staff get-together at Dean and Mrs. Up-house's—a nice evening of good fellowship and satisfying refreshments.

Next on the calendar came an evening of spiritual feasting, listening to recorded music of *The Messiah*, followed by delicious fruit cake, tasty cheese, and soft drinks.

Just before leaving for a Christmas with her brother, his family, and her mother, in Washington, D. C., Miss Cowan entertained with games, puzzles, and a Christmas story in her apartment.

Christmas dinner? Of the seven dormitory students on hand, only five were present for that important meal, too few to cook for, so off they went by car to Chattanooga for a special dinner and then a sightseeing tour around the city and up Santa Claus Lane on Missionary Ridge to see the decorations.

Extra and unexpected was the "family" party sponsored by the student couples remaining in Vetsville over the holidays—a highly entertaining evening of games and good fun.

Battleship and music combined to make an interesting evening at the Octagon, which, added to just normal evenings spent at reading, playing ping-pong, and eating, have made a full vacation period, indeed.

Dormitory students remaining over the holidays were Dorothy Bean, Betty Hanna, Marguerite Taber, Dick Maycumber, Wayne Pontious, Charles Taber, and Nathan T'ung.

Those who seek to take over the steering of the wheel of their life, make themselves responsible, not for a safe journey, but for a wreck.—*Selected.*

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my admiration for the progress, accomplishments, and achievements at Bryan. Its record is written in the faces of these students that you saw tonight, in their actions and their behavior, and in what they mean to Dayton and its churches." He also said that the people of this locality did not appreciate Bryan University as they should because if they did they would cut down their income tax payment by contributing to Bryan's building program.

COME YE APART

Think of these things . . .

"And by Him all that believe are justified . . ." Acts 13:15.

A Yale professor, an accomplished astronomer, made the discovery that the earth was twenty-four hours out of schedule.

Professor Totten, a fellow instructor at Yale, challenged the astronomer to begin at the first chapter of Genesis, and read until he found the missing time.

The professor read up to the account of Joshua's long day, and being skeptical he began checking his figures and found at the time of Joshua there were only twenty-three hours and twenty minutes that had been lost in the earth's schedule.

Here he had found a mistake of forty minutes and the man went to Professor Totten and said, "The Bible is not the Word of God for I have found an error of forty minutes in it."

Said the believing professor, "The Bible does not say twenty-four hours, but about the space of a whole day. Start reading and see what else you can find."

So the unbelieving instructor began his reading at Joshua's long day and read on until he came to the story of Hezekiah's sickness in the time of Isaiah. God promised the king fifteen years more of life and to confirm this promise God told the king to go into the garden and watch the shadow of the sundial turn back ten degrees.

Ten degrees on the sundial, according to the skeptical tutor, equals forty minutes.

And here he had found the missing twenty-four hours. Immediately he laid aside the Bible and worshipped its Author, saying, "Lord, I believe."

—*The Preacher's Magazine*



From My Heart to You

I have just returned from Alamosa, Colorado, where my father went to be with the Lord early in the morning on December seventh. Father never enjoyed good health, but prior to a serious injury received just after I came to Bryan University nineteen years ago, he had been quite active in the Lord's work, having served on the state board of our denomination and as a trustee of the college from which I graduated.

Because of my father's desire to serve the Lord, we moved to a college town, where he entered college the same year that I entered the first grade of public school. Students were in our home frequently. College boys spent their vacations on our farm in Kansas and in later years worked for us on the family ranch in Colorado. Both while he was in college and in later years Father gave financial assistance to a number of college students. He was always ready to make a sacrifice that others might know Christ and that the message of salvation might be sent to the lost. So interested was he that this be done that as a young man he gave for missions the first month's wages that he ever earned.

Having seen the need for such a school long before it was established, my father was greatly interested in Bryan University. Perhaps it was because he saw this need and realized the trend of colleges away from the Faith of our Fathers that he became concerned with the dangers to my spiritual life in securing a college education and offered to establish me on my own farm or ranch, if I would give up going to college. Finally, however, having weighed the great dangers involved in attending college and the benefits to be received from attending, it was decided that I should seek higher education and Father and Mother prayed most earnestly for me

as I did so. Their admonitions and their prayers helped greatly to hold me in the Faith.

I appreciate my teachers and the educational institutions I have attended, but I must say that it took me some time after graduating to become settled and grounded solidly again in my spiritual life. I would not do away with any colleges, but I most strongly advocate the strengthening of those that are establishing young people in the faith of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Here at Bryan University we have demonstrated that scientific knowledge under Scripture light establishes young people in the faith and causes them to have a passionate desire to know and to serve the Lord. Because my father was thoroughly sold on the work of Bryan University, he rejoiced to have me here and was unwilling to request my return to be with him, even when the time came that he was asking the Lord to take him home.

"Do our loved ones in the Other World," it is frequently asked, "know what we are doing?" I like to think that Father is still rejoicing in what is being accomplished in the lives of Bryan students and graduates. Father, as well as every other prayer and donor friend, will be rewarded for the results in the lives of these consecrated young people.

Faternally yours,

Judson Rudd

President

ADDLEMAN, BROWN, TABER MAKE DEAN'S LIST

Three students rated the Dean's List; and nineteen, the Honor Roll for the fall quarter at Bryan University. These include the upper ten percent of the student body.

Howard Addleman of Grampian, Pennsylvania, Janice Brown of Randolph, New York, and Charles Taber of Allentown, Pennsylvania made the Dean's List with straight "A" averages.

On the Honor Roll were the following according to rank: Clifford Hanham, Joyann Conlan, Richard McIntosh, Audrey Mayer, Ernest Lee, James Kirtley, Lenora Gearhart, Suzanne Royer, Jean Mattison, and Joyce Johnson. Also Carl Wonderly, Lois Ardelean, Ross King, Margaret Hooks, Archie Keffer, Dorothy Bean, Thelma Andrews, Roselyn Franklin, and Paul Wyland.

CHOIR PRESENTS CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Before a capacity audience, the Bryan University choir presented the Christmas cantata, "The Light of the World," December 10, under the direction of Paul Stock, associate professor of music.

Dealing with the spiritual significance of the Incarnation, the cantata had for its theme Jesus, the uncreated Light, who was co-existent with God in the beginning and was manifested in the flesh as Mary's Son. This theme, to which the stories of the wise men, the angel, and the shepherds were subordinated, gave unity and sequence to the entire performance.

Soloists were Charlotte Howell and Lenora Dickens, sopranos; Jack Lacey, tenor; and David Naff, bass. Two mixed quartets consisted of Elizabeth Congdon, Betty Beaman, Robert Wagler, and Warren Purdy; and Harriette Stahnke, June Hively, Lewis Richards, and Charles Thornton. A soprano-alto duet was sung by Virginia Seguire and June Bell. Accompanists were Mrs. Don Oakley and Ruth Sutton at the piano and organ respectively.

SLEIGHS, CANDY CANES ADD BRIGHTENING TOUCH TO CHRISTMAS BANQUET

Massive red-and-white striped candy canes emphasizing the traditional holiday spirit greeted the Bryan family and friends as they gathered in the university dining hall for the annual Christmas banquet, December 4. Lighted trees stood in each corner of the room, and miniature sleighs accented the table decorations.

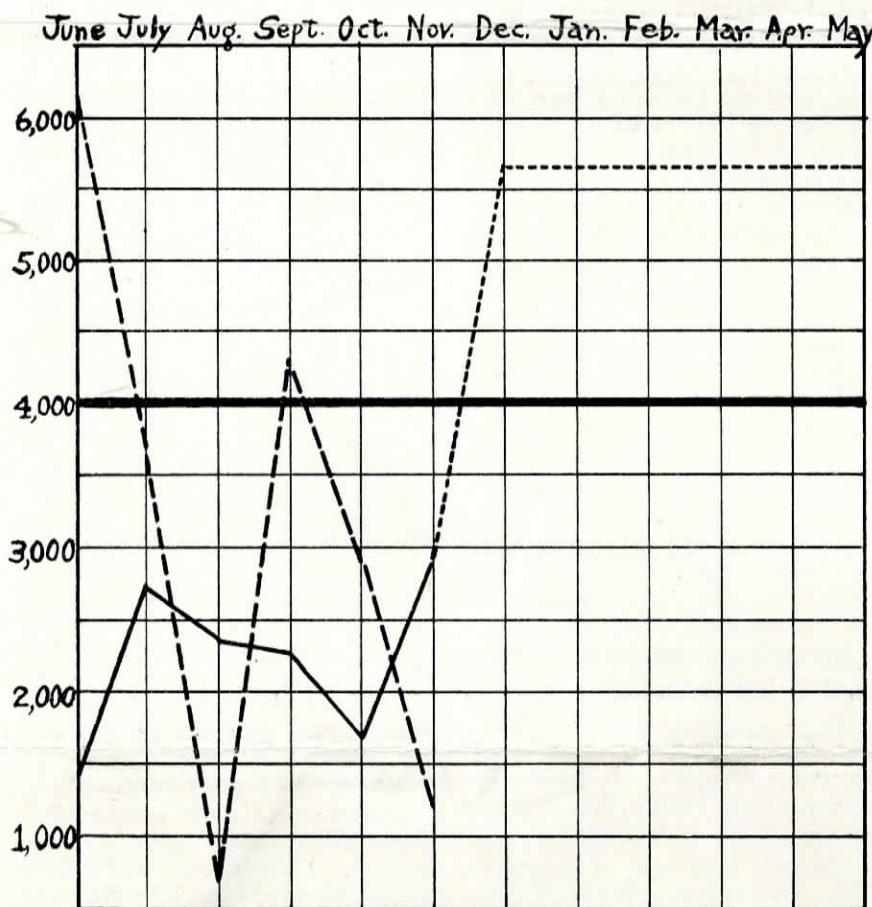
Toastmaster for the occasion, Professor Glen Atkins, introduced the program of the evening and led the singing of several carols by the entire group. Singing, "What a Saviour," the senior male quartet presented the first special number. They were followed by a vocal duet entitled, "The Christmas Star." "Peppercino," a clarinet duet which proved very entertaining, preceded a medley of Christmas carols by a girls' trio.

Guest speaker for the banquet was Dr. Alfred A. Cierpke, dean of the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary and a professor at Tennessee Temple College. His timely message, "The Jew and Palestine," was both informative and inspirational.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN ON PREACHING

"I desire my minister to preach every Sunday the simple gospel. 'The old, old story' never wearies the average congregation if it comes from a devout mind with preparation in the message. My ideal sermon is one that has an appeal to the unconverted and a spiritual uplift for the Christian. I want my minister abreast of the times on all new theological questions and research, but I do not want him to bring them into the pulpit. I have formed certain views of Christ, His gospel, and the inspiration of the Scriptures from a careful reading of the Book

of books and of the Shorter Catechism, and it will not make me a better Christian or profit my spiritual life to unsettle these views by a discussion in the pulpit of new theories of Christ and the Holy Scriptures. Finally, I want my minister to act upon the belief that Christ's gospel is the surest cure for all social and political evils, and that his best method of promoting temperance, social morality, and good citizenship is to bring men into the Church. In a word, I want my minister to emphasize in his life-work the declaration of the most successful preacher, Paul: 'It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.'"



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WORLD TRAVELERS GIVE LATIN AMERICAN LYCEUM

To present a cross-section of South American rural life, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Ackerman, world travelers, exhibited many examples of Indian costumes and customs before the Bryan family at a lyceum program, November 30. Mr. and Mrs. Ackerman live in Williamsburg, Kentucky.

Establishing first a background of general material and facts, the Ackermans displayed several skins of animals particularly representative of the Latin American countries.

As Mr. Ackerman pointed out, the natives' crudely fashioned weapons and tools showed that many of the South American Indians have remained culturally isolated from the modern civilization of today. In his talk, Mr. Ackerman stated that although these people are nearly a century and a half behind the outside world, they have developed an artistic skill which is rarely surpassed.

As examples of the Indians' manual dexterity, the Ackermans displayed exquisitely designed pottery and woven costumes typical of the clothing worn in most rural sections.

Scheduled to appear here for the next concert program, the musical set, Decosta and Ferrari, will present a variety program February 8. Mr. Decosta is a proficient player of most band instruments, and Miss Ferrari is an accomplished accordionist.

GIFT INCOME FOR NOVEMBER 1950

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 M. S. M.\$ 130.00
 Other Sources 2,711.35
 Gifts through
 Representatives 10.00

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